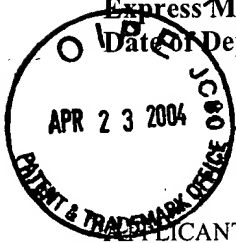


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1. Amendment and Response to Non-Final Office Action, 24 pages;
2. Exhibits 1-14 for the Amendment;
3. Rule 132 Declaration of Dr. Marcel Margulies, 9 pages;
4. Exhibits 1-6 for the Declaration;
5. Petition for Three-Month Extension of Time, 1 page;
6. Extension Fee - Check # 1863 for \$475.00;
7. Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement, 2 pages, in duplicate;
8. Modified Form 1449/PTO, 1 page, in duplicate;
9. Copy of cited references A85, A86, and C71;
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11. Return Postcard.

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